

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

11 SEPTEMBER 2019

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE MINERALS LOCAL PLAN – PUBLICATION VERSION

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 To set before Committee the details of the Publication Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan Consultation and approve the District Council response to the Consultation.

2.0 Background Information

2.1 In the Draft Minerals Local Plan published in July 2019, Nottinghamshire County Council setting out future requirements for minerals (including sand and gravel, brick clay, and gypsum), identified potential extraction sites and introduced policies to manage this development. The District Council was supportive of the proposed approach of the County Council at the Draft Plan stage and responded to the consultation (See **Appendix A** for details). The Publication Minerals Local Plan has been formally published for a period of representation on 30 August 2019 for a period of six weeks until 11 October 2019.

2.2 The Publication Minerals Local Plan retains the same approach as the Draft Plan which the District Council supported, namely:

- A national policy compliant approach to calculate the future sand and gravel need;
- Continued working of Bantycok, Besthorpe, Cromwell, Girton and Kirton quarries;
- No new sand and gravel quarries in the District are proposed - only extensions to Langford Lowfields North and Besthorpe East;
- An extension of Bantycok Quarry (for Gypsum working) to the South; and
- A biodiversity led approach to restoration.

3.0 Response to the Publication Local Plan

3.1 Minerals Local Plan has reached the publication stage; this stage seeks formal representations on the soundness of the Plan, rather than being a consultation stage asking for comment. Therefore given the District Council's previous support for the proposals in the Draft Plan it is proposed to send a formal representation supporting the Publication Plan. Subject to any additional comments from the Committee, it is proposed that Appendix B (To follow) form the District Council's formal representation.

4.0 Equalities Implications

4.1 None identified, it is not believed that this issue will have different implications for different groups with protected characteristics. Furthermore the District Council is a consultee in the Minerals Local Plan process which is the responsibility of the County Council who will need to ensure that the Plan meets the requirements of the Equalities Act 2010.

5.0 Financial Implications (FIN19-20/4902)

5.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

6.0 Community Plan – Alignment to Objectives

6.1 The sustainable provision of aggregates supports the development of homes and workplaces in line with the Amended Core Strategy and the Community Plan objective to “Accelerate the supply of new homes including associated facilities.”

7.0 RECOMMENDATIONS that:

- a) the report be noted; and
- b) **Appendix B, subject to any additional comments from Committee, be approved as the District Council’s representation to the Publication Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan.**

Reason for Recommendations

So that the report can be noted and a District Council response can be submitted on the Draft Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan.

Background Papers

Publication Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan (available on Nottinghamshire County Council’s website:

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-environment/minerals-local-plan/publication-version-documents>).

Planning Policy also has a hard copy of the document on deposit at Castle House.

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